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SUBJECT: ADMINISTRATIVE VISA ON IMPORTS INTO FRANCE
OF LEATHER SHOES

REF: (A) EMBASSY'S A-424, 09/23/75, (B) STATE 023300

1. ACCORDING TO THE FRENCH MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND RESEARCH, THE INITIAL DATE OF DEC. 31, 75 STATED FOR VISA REQUIREMENT CONCERNING THE IMPORTS INTO FRANCE OF LEATHER SHOES AND WHICH HAD BEEN EXTENDED UNTIL FEB. 15, 76 WILL POSSIBLY BE EXTENDED AGAIN UNTIL MAY 15, 76. THE NECESSARY PROCEDURE IS THE SAME AS DESCRIBED IN REF. A. HOWEVER NO FOOTWEAR QUOTAS EXIST.

2. THE EXTENSION OF SUCH A PROCEDURE IS DUE FIRST OF ALL TO AN IMPORTANT INCREASE, IN 1975, OF IMPORTS INTO FRANCE OF SHOES AND SECONDLY TO THE DIFFICULTIES EXPERIENCED BY THE FRENCH SHOE INDUSTRY AND MORE GENERALLY BY THE FRENCH LEATHER INDUSTRY. THE FRENCH MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY AND RESEARCH, ASKED ABOUT THE EFFICIENCY OF VISA REQUIREMENT, SAID THAT THE MAIN INTEREST OF THIS PROCEDURE CONSISTS OF THE POSSIBILITY TO IDENTIFY FRENCH IMPORTERS AND THEIR PURCHASE PRICES. THEREFORE, GOF CAN PUT PRESSURE ON THESE IMPORTERS

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AND HAS BEEN TRYING TO PUT THEM IN TOUCH WITH THE

FRENCH SHOE MANUFACTURERS.

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